

Marilyn
O'GRADY
for Congress
4th District

PMB 162, 734 Franklin Ave., Garden City, NY 11530

December 18, 2002

Mr. Jeff S. Jordan
Supervisory Attorney
Central Enforcement Docket

RE: MUR 5334

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COMMISSION
OFFICE OF GENERAL
COUNSEL
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Dear Mr. Jordan,

I am writing in response to the complaint filed by Ms. Mendelsohn against myself, Thomas Keller, Treasurer and my campaign committee, Friends of Marilyn F. O'Grady.

As to the first complaint, regarding an advertisement allegedly distributed by my campaign committee, the Friends of Marilyn F. O'Grady, neither I nor anyone connected to my campaign committee authorized such an advertisement. In addition, the advertisement in question was not paid for by my committee and whomever is responsible for the advertisement did not coordinate at all with me or my campaign committee at any time prior to or after its airing. As such, the Commission would consider the advertisement Ms. Mendelsohn refers to an independent expenditure and my campaign committee would have no obligation to report it

In regards to the charge that certain contributions were above the amount allowed by law, none of the individuals cited in the complaint contributed above the \$1000 allowed per election cycle. Each of the individuals intended their contributions to be equally attributed to the primary and general elections. I will concede that, in the cases of Baval Bernard, Alexander Carew, Lawrence Kadish, Susan Kadish, and Charles Kadish, the total contributions of \$2000 may have been inadvertently entered for the general election. Also, there is indeed outstanding debt of the campaign committee from the primary cycle in the form of loans made by myself to the campaign. If the report, in your judgment, needs to be amended to reflect the assignment of these contributions to the primary and general election cycles, and the outstanding debt from the primary election cycle, my campaign will be willing to do so.



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